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Patent Application

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TRANSMITTAL OF APPEAL BRIEF

Mail Stop Appeal Brief - Patents Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Submitted herewith are the following documents relating to the above-identified patent application:

- (1) Response to Office Action;
- (2) Appeal Brief; and
- (3) Notice of Appeal.

There is no additional fee due in conjunction with the response. In the event of non-payment or improper payment of a required fee, the Commissioner is authorized to charge or to credit International Business Machines Corporation Deposit Account No. 50-0510 as required to correct the error.

Respectfully submitted,

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 28, 2006 in the above-identified application, Applicants hereby request reinstatement of the appeal. A Notice of Appeal and Appeal Brief are submitted concurrently herewith. The fees previously paid in conjunction with the prior Notice of Appeal and Appeal Brief filed July 25, 2005 and March 22, 2005, respectively, should be applied to the present Notice of Appeal and Appeal Brief.

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